Chapter One: The Elementary Social Studies Curriculum

1. Read the chapter highlighting important information and journaling in the margin as needed. (Be sure to review the *Suggested Readings and Websites* section!) Briefly bullet two things you learned from this chapter that could impact your future teaching in an elementary classroom. Be sure to **cite page numbers** where the text-based EVIDENCE can be found.
2. What do you recall (bullet) about your educational experiences regarding this content area, Social Studies?
3. As stated in your text, what is the purpose of Social Studies education? Read this: <https://www.icivics.org/news/between-lines-why-civic-education-matters> and briefly respond to the purpose and WHY it matters.
4. Go to www.teachsocialstudies.wikispaces.com. Preview the wikispace and print/sign the wiki consent form at the top of the home page if you have yet to do so. Visit: <http://teachsocialstudies.wikispaces.com/Assignment+Information> Scroll down to unit plan documents. Find the Spalding SS LP template document and review/**print** this for class purposes.